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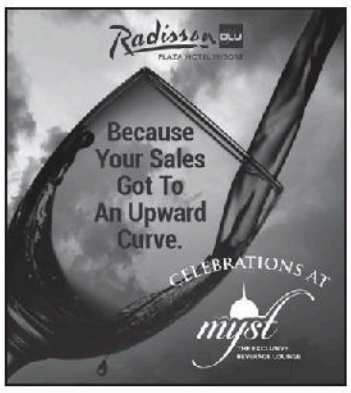


Nationwide strike
by bank employees begins

Banking transactions come to a halt as staff go on 2-day strike in protest against privatisation moves

Mysuru, Dec. 16 (RK&DM)- Strongly opposing the Centre's move to introduce the 'The Banking Laws (Amendments) Bill-2021' in the current winter session of the Parliament so as to enable the Government to privatise Public Sector Banks (PSBs), bank employees under the banner of United Forum of Bank Unions (UFBU) began a two-day strike this morning, which resulted in banking services coming to a halt in all PSBs across the city.

The United Forum of Bank Unions has called for a two-day nationwide strike (Dec.16 and 17) to oppose privatisation of Public Sector Banks.

In Mysuru city, over a thousand bank employees, officers and other staff staged a demonstration in front of the SBI (State Bank of India) Divisional Office opposite Krishnadhama in T.K. Layout.

Maintaining that PSBs act as catalysts in the economic development of our nation in general and underprivileged sections and backward regions in particular, the protesting bank employees shouted slogans and argued that National Banks have played a major role in the development of agriculture, small trade, small businesses, transport sectors and in upliftment of weaker sections of the society.

(See STRIKE on page 6)

Racket selling adulterated Nandini ghee busted

Adulterated Nandini ghee packets being inspected at the godown today.

Mysuru, Dec. 16 (RK&BCT)- A racket that manufactured and distributed adulterated Nandini brand ghee of Karnataka Milk Federation (KMF) has been busted in the city this morning and the godown has been raided.

KMF officials and Mysuru South Police are conducting the raids and are examining the contents that have been stored in 10 to 15 litre tins in the godown. Police said that the racketeers used low quality edible oils to adulterate the ghee, filled it in fake Nandini packets and sold them.

The raid was conducted based on a tip off at Hosahundi village at the foot of Chamundi Hill and tonnes of adulterated ghee worth crores of rupees have been recovered. The exact estimate will be known only after the cans, tins and packets stored in the godown are measured.

Police said that it is an organised racket that mixed vegetable ghee & oil, oil coloured with turmeric to make it look like authentic Nandini ghee.

(See GHEE on page 6)

Clarification and regret

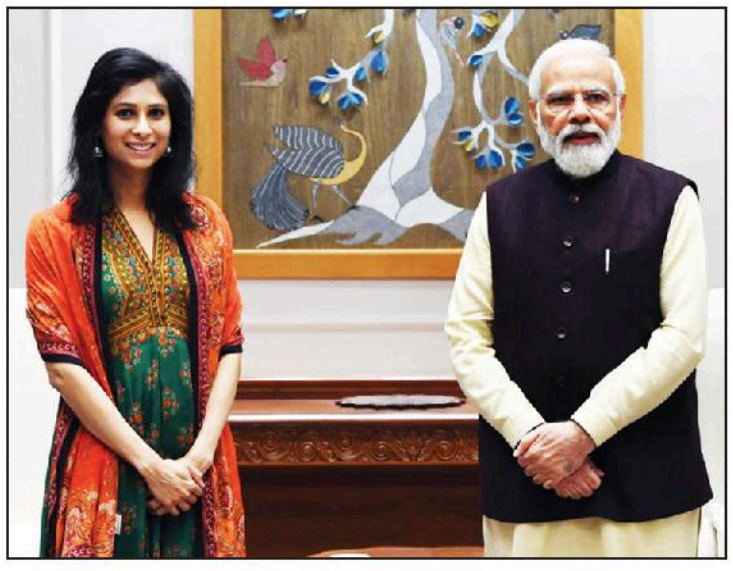
In *Star of Mysore* evening paper dated 14.12.2021, it was inadvertently published that Raghu R. Kautilya of BJP had won Mysuru-Chamarajanagar MLC polls based on the initial reports, the social media and TV reports.

We had, however, stated that official announcement would come later in the evening and the report is not official or final. The next day, when the official report stated that it was C.N. Manjegowda of JD(S) who had won, we carried the news accordingly. The error is regretted.—**Ed**

IMF Chief Economist Gita Gopinath calls on PM Narendra Modi

Mysuru-born economist will be in her hometown for a week from Dec. 18

New Delhi, Dec. 16 (BCT)- Indian-American Gita Gopinath, the Chief Economist of the International Monetary Fund (IMF), called on Prime Minister Narendra Modi in the national capital yesterday. The meeting comes days after the IMF announced that she is being promoted as its First Deputy Managing Director (FDMD). Mysuru-born Gita Gopinath, who was scheduled to return to her academic position at Harvard University in January 2022, has served as the IMF's Chief Economist for three years.



"Chief Economist of the IMF, @GitaGopinath called on PM @narendramodi," the Prime Minister's Office (PMO) tweeted along with a couple of photographs from the meeting.

(See GITA on page 6)

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Mysuru Sahitya Prathishtana to present awards to achievers

Shreshta *Taksha* *Manvik* *Athishay* *Padma* *Muthuswamy*

Kiran *Ashwath* *Vidyashankar* *Raghavendra* *Mahesh*

Mysuru, Dec.16- As part of its 14th anniversary, Mysuru Sahitya Mathu Samskrutika Prathishtana has announced Balashri, Gaana Kogile, Sahitya Sindhu, Muktaka Sahitya Sindhu, Gamaka Chatura, Sadhanashri and Samskrutika Seva Ratna awards.

The awardees are: Shreshta H. Shankar, Taksha Chanakya Rebanta and Manvik S. Chikka Bodappa (Balashri award); M.K. Athishay Jain (Gaana Kogile award); S.P. Padma Murthy and B.P. Ashwath Narayan (Sahitya Sindhu award); M. Muthuswamy and Kiran Sidlehalli (Muktaka Sahitya Sindhu award); Kalashri C.P. Vidyashankar (Gamaka Chatura award); S. Raghavendra (Sadhanashri award) and Bagali Mahesh (Samskrutika Sevarathna award).

The awards will be conferred at a programme to take place at Ideal Jawa Rotary School premises on JLB road at 4 pm on Dec.19. Writer S. L. Varalakshmi's work titled 'Srigandha,' a collection of poems and 'Hongirana,' a commemoration volume on late writer Sunanda will also be released on the occasion. For details, call Mob: 98863-41957, according to a press release.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

Whatever part of their great financial and technical power social media companies use to fact-check and moderate speech, it is extremely unevenly spread across jurisdictions. In India, anonymous bullying and harassment are ubiquitous on Twitter. There's a bulls eye on journalists' backs. For women, rape threats are ever present. True, online anonymity has also lent voice to various marginalised communities, to dissidents in repressive regimes.

But what of the other side of anonymity: constant floodgates of smear, scorn and worse from hidden armies, often serving a political party. Given the shabby job that social media platforms have done to identify and suspend anonymous perpetrators, whether via algorithmic or human monitors, it is understandable that countries have begun to look to other paths for tackling the hate and misinformation flourishing here. India's intermediary rules refer to "voluntary" verification of social media users. But unless companies step up, we may also see talk about 'mandatory' verification soon.

— In The Times of India

NEWS SPARKLERS

The world's most beautiful gastropods

Havana: Out of the roughly 1,400 species of land snails that call Cuba home, the six species of the genus Polymita, fondly known as painted snails, are without a doubt the most eye-catching.

When it comes to snail per se, there's probably no beating the spectacular red-and-black contrast of the Malaysian fire snail, but as far as shells go, Cuba's painted snails are in a class of their own. Just a look at the stunning swirling colors on their shells, and it's easy to understand why they are considered by many to be the world's most beautiful snails.

However, this flattering title comes with a downside. Because their dazzling shells are so sought after by collectors, all six species of the genus Polymita are now critically endangered.

The crazy Koi Fish Café of Thailand

Khanom: If you want to enjoy your favorite cup of coffee in the company of dozens of koi fish as they swim through ankle-deep water that covers the entire floor, then visit Koi Fish Café in Thailand.

Sweet Fishs Café is a unique venue in the Thai city of Khanom, where people can walk through ankle-deep water populated with dozens of koi fish.

Sweet Fishs Café first went viral on social media last month, when a short video of its aquarium-like floor went viral. From there, it spread like wildfire, being shared thousands of times on Facebook and Instagram and even being picked up by international news outlets. However, the location of the café was never revealed till recently.

HEALTH CAPSULE

What are the symptoms of enlarged prostate?

Symptoms are frequent urination at day and night, hesitancy, sense of incomplete evacuation of bladder, poor flow of urine, interrupted flow of urine, pain while passing urine if there's infection and sometimes blood in urine.

By Dr. Dinesh Kumar T. P. - Consultant Urology
Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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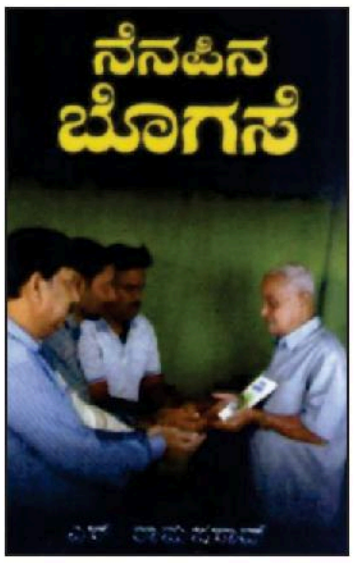
** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

'Nenapina Bogase' to be released on Dec. 18



Mysuru, Dec. 16 (SSM) - Science writer S. Ramprasad's book titled 'Nenapina Bogase' will be released at a programme jointly organised by Talukina Venkannaiah Smaraka Granthamale and Kannada Sahitya Kalakuta at the Institution of Engineers Auditorium, JLB Road on Dec. 18 at 4.30 pm.

Maddikere Gopal, President, District Kannada Sahitya Parishat, will preside. Prof. C. Naganna, Writer and Visiting Professor, Kuvempu Institute of Kannada Studies, Mysore University, will release the book while Dr. Kabbinale Vasantha Bharadwaj will speak on the book. Dr. Jyothi Shankar, Kannada Professor at Karnataka State Open University will be the guest of honour.

Publisher T.S. Chayapathi of Talukina Venkannaiah Smaraka Granthamale and M. Chandrashekar, President of Kannada Sahitya Kalakuta and writer S. Ramprasad will be present on the occasion.

REALLY...?

- ***On 27th September 1970, the statutes of the United Nations World Tourism Organisation (UNWTO) were adopted. Five years later, these statutes, considered a milestone in global tourism, paved the way for the establishment of the UNWTO. The UNWTO celebrated the first World Tourism Day on 27th September, 1980, to mark the occasion of its establishment. Ever since then, the day has been marked across the world.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Son: ***What's the difference between love and marriage?***
Father: ***Love is blind. Marriage is an eye-opener!!***

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 76.23
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 100.97
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 20.75
1 Euro	= Rs. 86.03

COVID-19 UPDATE - MYSURU

	DECEMBER 14	DECEMBER 15
Day's Positive Cases	16	8
Total Positive Cases	1,80,075	1,80,083
Day's Discharges	17	21
Total Discharges	1,77,429	1,77,450
Day's Deaths	0	0
Total Deaths	2,433	2,433
Total Active Cases	213	200

NOTE: Figures as per Government Media Bulletin

VOICE OF THE READER

When ideology intrudes, art suffers

Sir,

When ideology intrudes, art suffers. That appears to be the disturbing development in which the present Rangayana Director Addanda Cariappa finds himself when a coterie of vested interests seem to be determined to throwing a spanner into the excellent work of all round effort in the field of theatre and art in Rangayana.

Of course, this is not the first time how some elements ganged up to oust a woman of impeccable professional talent when she was appointed as Director. Art always stands by its own merit and popularity for good work done creates jealousy and in this case if some group nurse some ideology it becomes a potent weapon to create trouble. This is exactly what has happened in the case of the present Rangayana Director.

The fact that during COVID pandemic period several artistes were paid reflects the concern of the Director. Cariappa has endeared himself by his record of doing an excellent work during a short time and the art loving people of Mysuru have been appreciating his work.

The guest list for this year's Bahuroopi reads like who is who in achievement in the world of art and literature. **As human beings they are bound to have different ideologies but what brings them together is the common bond of good work in their chosen field divorced from ideology.** Of course, these vested interests can be irritating nuisance that makes the work of the Director stressful and hope good sense prevails so that he is allowed to do the work with full co-operation.

In any organisation differences are bound to exist and specially in the world of art they are much more sensitive and are notoriously temperamental but that should not come in the way of the world of art

—H.R. Bapu Satyanarayana
Saraswathipuram
13.12.2021

NCC kickstarts registration for Alumni Association

PM Modi registered as first alumnus of the Assn.

Mysuru, Dec. 16- NCC has commenced registration of ex-NCC cadets as part of its newly formed NCC Alumni Association (NCCAA).

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has been registered as the first alumnus of the Association.

Ex-cadets of Mysuru Group have started registering themselves with the Association but there still remains a large number of ex-cadets who are yet to be registered. In view of this, a meeting of all ex-NCC cadets has been called by NCC Group Mysuru today (Dec. 16) at the Group Headquarters.

In a press release, Group Commander Colonel R.R. Menon has requested all ex-NCC cadets to register in large numbers.

There will also be a special campaign for all the ex-NCC cadets to register on the NCC Alumni Association website on Dec.19 (Sunday). All necessary support for the registration will be provided by the Officers and Staff on that day from 10 am to 5 pm. All the ex-NCC cadets are requested to attend the campaign and register by getting along the available NCC certificates.

NCC Alumni Association card being presented to Prime Minister Narendra Modi recently by Lieutenant General Gurbirpal Singh, AVSM, VSM, Director General, NCC.

For details, contact Col. V. Srinivas, Group Admin Officer, Mysore Group on Mob: 94220-52566 or email: *vishysri68@gmail.com,* according to a press release.

Save Rangayana, save artistes:

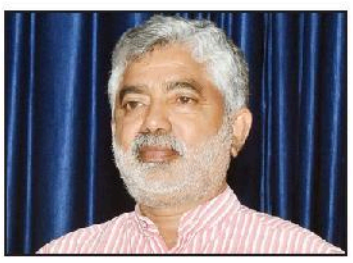
Director lodges Police complaint

Mysuru, Dec. 16 (MK&BCT)- The ideological differences between the Left and the Right over the conduct of this year's Bahuroopi Theatre Festival at Rangayana has now reached the doors of the Police Department with Rangayana Director Addanda C. Cariappa lodging a Police complaint seeking security to artistes and also save Rangayana from the vested interests.

The complaints were lodged on Dec. 12 and 14 at Jayalakshmipuram Police Station against senior artistes and progressive activists. Cariappa has stated that some elements have threatened to disturb theatre and Bahuroopi activities at Rangayana over the issue of Chakravarthi Soolibele and Malavika Avinash being invited as guests to the Bahuroopi Theatre Festival.

Senior artistes and social activists like P. Mallesh, H. Janardhan (Janni), Zakir Hussain, Kaleem, Mime Ramesh, Gopalakrishna, N. Diwakar and all their names and others have been mentioned in the complaint where the Rangayana Director has alleged that they are fomenting trouble.

Confirming this to *Star of Mysore,* Cariappa said that Rangayana is not owned by a particular section of people who have different ideologies and it



Addanda C. Cariappa

is a reputed art and theatre repertory. "As the Director, it is my foremost duty to protect Rangayana and its artistes and this is the reason why I have lodged a Police complaint," he said.

Misuse of Rangayana logo

Cariappa has also alleged that certain vested interests were misusing the logo of Rangayana to further their mischief against genuine art fraternity. "Many pamphlets have been printed with the Rangayana logo and permission has not been sought to use the logo. This is nothing but misuse of the logo," he charged.

"These pamphlets have been printed by the so-called 'Rangayana Ulisi Horata Samithi' and they are tarnishing the image of Rangayana by giving bad press. It is not right for them to use the Rangayana logo in their propaganda. Rangayana has got national and international fame and now an attempt is being made to defame Rangayana," he added.

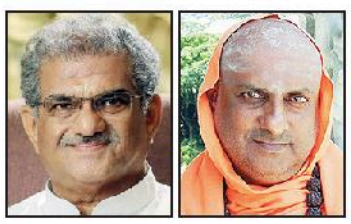
Twelfth Convocation of JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research tomorrow

- Dr. D. Veerendra Heggade to give away gold medals
- 2,138 students to receive their degrees and diplomas

Mysuru, Dec. 16- The Twelfth Convocation of JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research (JSS AHER) will be held on Dec. 17 at 4 pm at Suttur Mutt premises, foot of Chamundi Hill in the presence of Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji, the Chancellor of JSS AHER.

Padma Vibhushan Dr. D. Veerendra Heggade, Dharmadhikari, Srikshetra Dharmasthala, will be the chief guest, deliver the Convocation address and give away gold medals and prizes.

Board of Management members and other dignitaries and



Dr. Heggade *Suttur Seer*

distinguished guests from academia, administration and industry throughout the country besides the student and parents / guardians are participating in the convocation ceremony virtually.

In all, 2,138 graduands will receive their degrees and diplomas in various faculties while 47 candidates will be awarded Doctor of Philosophy Degrees; 7 candidates will be conferred with Doctorate in Medicine (DM) & Master of Chirurgiae (MCh) Degrees and 61 academic toppers will be presented with 83 medals and awards with certificates for their exceptional academic performances.

JSS AHER has been able to attract good number of meritorious students from all over the country and abroad adding to the student diversity.

Presently, JSS AHER has around 8,000 students, 617 teaching faculty and 553 supporting staff.

Karnataka 3rd State to cross 70% second dose vaccination coverage

Bengaluru, Dec. 16 (UNI)- Karnataka has crossed 70 percent second dose vaccination coverage and became the third State in the country to do so.

"Karnataka today crossed 70% second dose vaccination coverage! Only the third major State in the country to do so!" Health Minister Dr. K. Sudhakar tweeted on Tuesday. Karnataka is also Number One State in first dose coverage with 95.46 percent, he added.

As on Dec.13, as many as 8,06,85,250 vaccination doses have been administered, according to Karnataka Health Department. As many as 3,40,983 vaccination has been given in the State on the same day.

Districts with highest vaccination coverage on the day was Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (45,795), Belagavi (21,402) and Bagalkote (20,997), the Department added.

Omicron testing kit

Meanwhile, a team of scientists of the Regional Medical Research Centre (RMRC) for the Northeast region has developed a testing kit, which can detect the Omicron variant in two hours from a sample.

It has been developed when Omicron has created a storm in the country with Delhi, Rajasthan, Maharashtra, Karnataka and Gujarat having reported cases of the new variant.

NEWS BRIEFS

CESC Public Contact Prog.

Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Corporation (CESC) will be holding a Public Contact Programme tomorrow (Dec. 17) at Chamundipuram Sub-Division office at 11 am and Central Sub-Division office at 3 pm. Interested public coming under the said Sub-Divisions may attend the programme and air their grievances pertaining to CESC in writing, according to a press release from the Executive Engineer, CESC, N.R. Mohalla Division.

Thiruppavai discourse

As part of Dhanurmasa Puja, Hebbar Sreevaishnava Rural District Upa Sabha, in association with Sree Andal Mandiram Trust, Mysuru, has organised discourse on 'Thiruppavai' by Vidu. Rama Srinivasan at Sree Andal Mandiram Trust, Temple Road, V.V. Mohalla, since Dec. 15 till Jan. 13 between 6 pm and 7.30 pm. 'Koodaraivellam' will be celebrated on Jan. 11.

Art of Living Workshop

Sri Ravishankar Guruji's Art of Living will be conducting Breath and Meditation Workshop at Art of Living Ashram on Lalitadripura Road in city from Dec. 21 to 26 in different batches — 6.30 am to 8.30 am; 11 am to 1 pm; 3 pm to 5 pm; 6 pm to 8 pm. For details, contact Mob: 93421-11970 or 98927-52035, according to a press release from the Art of Living.

No end in sight on fate of Devaraja Market

By S.T. Ravikumar

Mysuru, Dec. 16- There seems to be end in sight on the fate of over a century old Devaraja Market and Lansdowne buildings, which have turned decrepit over the passage of time and vagaries of nature.

With no proper maintenance and repairs, these buildings are getting deteriorated with each passing day and questions are asked on when would the authorities or elected representatives do something about restoring the buildings, which are heritage in nature.

Following the opinion of experts that demolition of the structures and reconstructing them would be more appropriate than just doing a repair and rejuvenation job, Mysuru City Corporation (MCC), at a Council meeting last year, passed a similar resolution and submitted a proposal to the Government on Jan. 30, 2020 for reconstruction of the buildings.

The Devaraja Market, which was built by the then Mysuru Maharajas in 1886, stands on a 3.67 acre area (14,887.10 sq.mts) and has 724 stalls. With the buildings turning dilapidated, the Government in 2014, had sanctioned Rs. 100 crore out of the Chief Minister's fund for renovation of the buildings.

Subsequently, the works tender was awarded to Savani Construction Company on Feb. 18, 2016 for Rs. 9 crore. As the works got started, the MCC had paid Rs. 73.39 lakh to the construction company as part payment.

Amidst all this, a portion of the northern part of Devaraja Market unfortunately collapsed on the evening of Aug. 28, 2016 due to heavy rains. The then CM who visited the spot two days after the incident, had ordered to stop repair works and directed the authorities to get a report on the stability of the building.

Later, a Technical Task Force committee inspected the spot and submitted a report, recommending demolition of the building and rebuilding it while retaining all its heritage characteristics. But another committee of Archaeology Department gave a contradictory report in Nov. 2018 suggesting that the building can be renovated without evacuating the tenants or shopkeepers of the market.

The MCC at its Council meeting held on Jan. 29, 2019, deliberated in detail on the fate of the building and ultimately resolved to demolish the structure and reconstruct it while keeping its heritage characteristics intact.

Taking into consideration the resolution passed by the MCC and the contradictory reports of the two committees, the then Mysuru DC had sought directions from the Government on May 20, 2019 on further action regarding the fate of the building.

With an intention of demolishing Devaraja Market, MCC had served notices to tenants on evacuation of shops. Questioning the MCC's notice, 19 shopkeepers moved the High Court.

The Court which heard the plea on April 5, 2019, directed the MCC to constitute a committee of experts and to submit the report to the Government along with the Council resolution. The Court then had also ordered to also submit the report within three months.

Accordingly, MCC constituted a committee comprising heritage experts, which after inspection of the site, submitted a report recommending that the building be evacuated and a new one be constructed at the same place while retaining all heritage characteristics of the old structure.

Subsequently, MCC at its Council meeting held on Jan. 31, 2020, resolved to demolish the century old structure and construct a new one in its place.

Thereafter, the resolution was forwarded to the Government and since then, nothing much has happened. As such, the proposal to construct a new building seems to have put on the backbencher at least for now. Amidst all this uncertainty, the question about the stability of the market building continues to persist as the city had experienced incessant rains in the recent past.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM

Maximum	:	124.80 feet
Today	:	124.80 feet
Yesterday	:	124.80 feet
Inflow	:	4,943 cusecs
Outflow	:	4,732 cusecs

KABINI DAM

Maximum	:	2,284.00 feet
Today	:	2,283.55 feet
Inflow	:	855 cusecs
Outflow	:	1,000 cusecs

HARANGI DAM

Maximum	:	2,859.00 feet
Today	:	2,853.96 feet
Inflow	:	51 cusecs
Outflow	:	600 cusecs

Demand for bribe to sign transfer charge list

Hunsur ITI Principal trapped by ACB

Hunsur, Dec. 16 (KK&KS)- Anti Corruption Bureau (ACB) Police have trapped the Principal of Hunsur ITI College while accepting bribe from a Junior Training Officer (JTO) to sign the transfer charge list (provisional list).

The Principal, who was caught red handed while accepting the bribe is Srikantaradhya, who has been remanded to judicial custody.

Details: Hunsur ITI College JTO Nagaraj was transferred to Mysuru and he was to hand over the charge to another JTO Rakesh Kumar of the Mechanical Branch. As the charge list of Nagaraj required the signature of the Principal, he went to Principal Srikantaradhya for the signature where he (Principal) demanded a bribe of Rs. 50,000 to sign.

On Dec. 9, Srikantaradhya met JTO Nagaraj near Ramakrishna Circle in Mysuru and after negotiations, the bribe amount was fixed to Rs. 25,000. In a bid to teach the bribe-hungry Principal a lesson, Nagaraj is said to have given Rs. 5,000 then and told the Principal that he would give the remaining amount on Dec. 14. In the meantime, Nagaraj lodged a complaint with ACB Police, who registered a case and decided to trap the Principal red handed.

On Dec. 14, Nagaraj informed the Principal to come to Ramakrishna Circle in Mysuru to collect money. Srikantaradhya came to the spot accordingly and when Nagaraj was handing over the money, the ACB Police team led by Dy.SP Dharmendra, who were nearby swooped on the Principal, caught him red handed with the cash and arrested him.

ACB Inspectors Mohan Krishna and Chittaranjan and staff Gururao, Manjunath, Yogesh, Chethan and Pushpa took part in the operation.

Businessman ends life

Mysuru, Dec. 16 (MK&KS)- A Bengaluru-based business man has committed suicide by hanging self at a park in N.R. Mohalla in city. The deceased has been identified as Richardson (30), a native of Hunsur, who was conducting business in Bengaluru. He had come to Mysuru and was staying at his sister's house in R.S. Naidu Nagar.

It is learnt that Richardson has taken loans from banks and private money lenders for business and following COVID-induced lockdown, his business suffered huge losses. Depressed over this, Richardson is said to have taken the extreme step.

Upgrade Hassan-Makutta Road to National Highway

MP Pratap Simha seeks four-lane road from Bilikere to Holenarasipura

Mysuru, Dec. 16 (BCT)- Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha met Union Minister of Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari in New Delhi yesterday and appealed to him to upgrade the State Highway connecting Channarayapatna in Hassan district and Makutta on the Karnataka-Kerala border to a National Highway (NH).

The road passes through Channarayapatna, Holenarasipura, Arkalgud, Shanivarsanthe, Kodlipet, Somwarpet, Madikeri and Virajpet to reach Makutta via the Perumbadi check post to reach Kannur in Kerala. The NH will extend up to 183 kilometres and Rs. 1,600 crore funding is necessary to upgrade the existing road.

He said the road provides connectivity to various tourist destinations including Madikeri, Talacauvery and Bhagamandala. Development of the highway would also ease the connectivity to Kannur International Airport from Kodagu and Hassan districts.

According to a press release issued by the MP, the Union Minister responded to the demand positively and he said he would give suitable directions to the officers for in-principle approval. Development of this corridor will establish good connectivity between Madikeri and Kerala which will eventually bring tourists to Kodagu and also to Hassan.

The MP said that the alignment plan was submitted in 2018 and pointed out to the Minister that the movement of freight from Kodagu to other regions was affected and this had affected the economy of Kodagu.

The MP claimed that the condition of the existing road is poor and that it would extend travel time. The road infrastructure development is not in proportional with the traffic growth along this corridor which causes bottlenecks and resulting in delays, he said. Improving the corridor can reduce the travel time by at least 30 to 40 minutes when compared to the travel time taken at present, he added.

Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha presenting memorandum to Union Minister Nitin Gadkari in New Delhi yesterday. Picture right shows the map of the road connecting Channarayapatna in Hassan and Makutta on the Kodagu border.

Mysuru to Hassan

MP Pratap Simha has urged the Union Minister to convert the existing road into a four-lane stretch from Yedegowdanahalli to Bilikere for the smooth travel of hundreds of people who commute between Mysuru and Hassan.

While the existing road from Hassan to Yedegowdanahalli near Holenarasipura has a four-lane stretch, there on it is a two-lane stretch till the K.R. Nagar Road and Mysuru-Madikeri Road junction near Bilikere where the highway again has a four-lane stretch, the MP pointed out.

He urged the Minister to modify the existing road to convert it into a four-lane stretch from Yedegowdanahalli to Bilikere for ease of travel and uniformity of roads. "The existing road is not in conformity with the traffic density and if converted to a four-lane stretch, would provide better connectivity to places of tourist importance besides ensuring safety," he said.

The vehicular density of the current road is 11,000 PCU (Passenger Car Unit) and warranted an upgradation, the MP reasoned.

Mysuru-Bengaluru 10-lane Economic Corridor

Proper entry, exit points needed for 5 bypasses

Call to expedite grade separator near Columbia Asia Hospital Junction

Mysuru, Dec. 16 (BCT)- Meeting Union Minister Nitin Gadkari in New Delhi yesterday, MP Pratap Simha also requested the upgradation of the access controlled 10-lane Mysuru-Bengaluru Economic Corridor with proper entry and exit points for all five bypasses to six towns.

Also, to avoid median cross-over accidents, Jersey Barriers have to be provided instead of normal kerbs which are safe to the road users, the MP said.

He said that proper as-per-standard entry and exits where the bypasses end and begin have not been provided while simple entry and exit has been proposed that are far away from the bypass beginning and end points.

He said that roads have been constructed to bypass Bidadi, Ramanagara, Channapatna, Maddur and Srirangapatna. "However, the current design of the highway does not provide for entry and exit points near the towns and commuters have to traverse for 7 to 8 kms along the service roads before entering the towns. Also, the commuters have to travel a few kilometres along the service roads before merging with the main carriageway.

The MP has sought modifications so as to ensure seamless travel and eliminate any chances of accidents due to confusion of movement by road users. Without seamless travel for both the expressway users and the other road users, the very purpose of the 10-lane road is defeated, the MP reasoned.

For the entry and exit points, works have to be constructed under a separate package and separate tenders have to be called. These entry and exit points have to be shifted closer to the underpasses which are already constructed to provide safety and ensure seamless travel, said the MP.

The MP urged the Minister to direct the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) to ensure that bullock carts, tractors, two-wheelers and other vehicles are barred from entering the main carriageway from the entry and exit points.

He called for a closed toll facility where motorists travelling between towns will have to pay only for the distance travelled and not the entire stretch. At present, there are only two toll plazas — one near Bengaluru and another near Srirangapatna. But providing a closed toll facility at all entry and exit points will generate revenue, the MP said.

Grade separator at Columbia Asia Junction

Expressing concern on the NHAI plans to entrust the construction of a grade separator near the Columbia Asia Hospital to another agency, the MP said instead, the same agency that is at present constructing the road should be entrusted to carry out the modifications to ensure timely completion of works.

"If the project is tendered to a new agency, a tender has to be called and will take more time and by that time, the present contractor will finish up the project up to Columbia Asia Hospital. If the grade separator is not completed along with the Expressway, there may be chances of huge choking of traffic at Columbia Asia Junction, the MP reasoned.

Association demands DGR pay-scale for Ex-servicemen deployed at CFTRI

Mysuru, Dec.16 (RKB&DM)- Urging for DGR (Directorate General Resettlement) pay-scale for Ex-servicemen deployed at CFTRI on security duty, a delegation of Mysore Armed Forces Ex-servicemen Association submitted a memorandum to CFTRI Director Dr. Sridevi Annapurna Singh here yesterday seeking fulfilment of their demands.

Pointing out that Security Personnel of all Central Government Institutions and Organisations are being paid DGR pay-scale, whereas the same has been abolished by CFTRI, the delegation members said they were unaware of the reason behind this.

Stating that they have strong objection to the decision, they urged the CFTRI to pay DGR pay-scale to the security personnel, who are Ex-servicemen.

Maintaining that the personnel are Army veterans, they appealed the CFTRI authorities to take immediate action for implementation of DGR pay-scale.

Assn. President P.K. Bidappa, office-bearers B.M. Gopala, M.U. Nanjunda, Dhanraj, Prasanna and others were present.

Nominated as State Committee Member of Karnataka Jain Conference

Mysuru, Dec. 16- B.K. Deepak Kumar Jain of Mysuru City has been nominated as the Working Committee Member of All India Sri Swetamber Sthankavasi Jain Conference, Karnataka Wing, for the term 2021-23.

This was officially announced by the newly elected President of Karnataka Jain Conference Pukhraj Mehta.

Deepak Kumar Jain had served as Karnataka Youth Wing Vice-President for more than 10 years earlier and 2 years as National Committee Member.

Past International Wing Committee Director, PRO and Chief Secretary of JITO Mysore, Secretary of Sri Sthanakvasi Jain Sangh-Mysore, Vice-President of All India Sthanakvasi Jain Conference Karnataka Youth Wing, President of JCI Mysore Royal City, Zone Secretary of JCI India Zone XIV and many more organisations in various capacities, currently he is also the Zone Treasurer of Jain International Trade Organisation (JITO), Karanataka-Kerala-Goa (KKG) Zone.

B.K. Deepak

Racket selling adulterated Nandini ghee busted

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Aware that Nandini ghee had a huge market, the racket flourished since the last four to five months and the racketeers had established their own network of supplies across the city and had contacts with regular retail and wholesale buyers, the Police said. KMF outlets sell only Nandini brand products.

The tip off was provided by one Pradeep and when teams arrived at the godown, it was locked from outside while a couple of people were filling adulterated ghee into packets that had Nandini brand printed on it. The shutters of the godown were forcibly opened.

During the raid it was discovered that the racketeers had procured the Nandini labels and logo in bundles, stamps and seals and printed the packets to make it look original. A machine was used to fill the adulterated ghee to the packets and they were stored in cardboard boxes.

KMF (Mysuru Milk Union) Managing Director B.N. Vijay Kumar and team and the Mysuru South Police visited the spot and are examining the seized stocks.

Nationwide strike

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Claiming that the efficacy of private banks is under question as many of them have failed or closed down in the past due to mismanagement, the protesters contended that on the other hand, all the PSBs are doing well and earning substantial profit.

Noting that the PSBs have a major share in the implementation of a multitude of Government schemes such as social sector loans, pension and insurance scheme etc., the protesting employees said that the Government must take note that it was PSBs which gave uninterrupted banking services when the COVID pandemic broke out last year.

Claiming that the huge accumulation of NPA (Non Performing Assets), which the PSBs are confronted with, is a result of wilful default of corporate and big business houses, they said it is a matter of reality that time and again PSBs have been used to bail out many ailing private sector banks.

Holding the view that privatisation of PSBs will jeopardise the interests of the common man and backward regions of the country, they said that they are strongly opposed to any privatisation move.

Asserting that privatisation of PSBs is a retrograde step, they urged the Government to revisit its plans for privatisation of PSBs and to withdraw the proposed Bill in the interests of the common man and the nation.

As the Bank Union sources said that the strike will continue tomorrow too, banking transactions will be severely affected on Dec.17. Over 1,500 bank employees, officers and other staff in the city will abstain from work tomorrow.

UFBU Convenor H. Balakrishna, office-bearers Sriram, Mahesh, Anjan Kumar, Sneha, Kumar Babu, Suresh and others took part in the demonstration.

IMF Chief Economist Gita Gopinath calls on PM Narendra Modi

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Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, Gita Gopinath's father T.V. Gopinath, who resides in Mysuru along with his wife V.C. Vijayalakshmi, said that Gita will be coming to Mysuru before taking up her new assignment with the IMF.

"She is in New Delhi now and is busy with a series of meetings and conferences. She will be in Mysuru on Dec. 18 for a week and the family will be on a vacation for some days. Gita will later fly to the US and assume her new responsibilities," he said.

Gita has been promoted as FDMD under IMF Chief Kristalina Georgieva in recognition of her exceptional intellectual leadership in helping the global economy and the global funding body to navigate the twists and turns of the worst economic crisis of our lives.

Gita Gopinath, 49, is the first woman to serve as Chief Economist of the Washington-based global lender for three years.

In particular, the FDMD will take the lead on surveillance and related policies, oversee research and flagship publications and help foster the highest quality standards for Fund publications. PM Modi and Gita Gopinath had last met in 2019.

"I am honoured to become the IMF's First Deputy Managing Director. With the pandemic, the work of the Fund has never been more important. I look forward to working with my brilliant colleagues to help our membership face these important challenges," she said in her first statement. "A heartfelt thank you to everyone for sending your best wishes," she added.

Student scholarship: Last date extended

Mysuru, Dec. 16 (SSM)- The Backward Classes Welfare Department has invited applications from students belonging to Backward Classes, nomadic and semi-nomadic tribal community from Nanjangud taluk to avail post-metric student scholarships, fee concession, Vidyasiri scheme (food and hostel facility for nursing students) for the year 2021-22.

The last date for submission of applications to avail the benefits is extended till Jan. 31, 2022.

Applications must be submitted online by logging onto website *www.ssp.postmatric.karnataka.gov.in.*

For details visit *www.bcwd.karnataka.gov.in* or contact Phone: 080-35254757 or Mob: 80507-70005 or 80507-70004, according to a press release from the Backward Classes Welfare Department.

Two septuagenarians relieved of 70-gram gold chains each

Mysuru, Dec. 16 (RK&KS)- In separate incidents, an ex-Corporator and an elderly woman have lost their gold chains to chain-snatchers in city. In both the incidents, the chain-snatchers have targeted elderly women.

In the first incident, scooter-borne miscreants have snatched gold chains of a former woman Corporator in city yesterday night.

The former Corporator, who lost her gold chains, is 70-year-old Nirmala Devi, wife of senior journalist Gouri Satya and a resident of Dewan's Road in city.

Yesterday at about 7.15 pm, Nirmala Devi, who had gone to a medical store, was returning home and when she was walking near a supermarket on Sonar Street, two persons, who came on a scooter from behind, snatched the gold *mangalya* chain and another gold chain, both weighing 70 grams and sped away. As the miscreants tugged at the gold chains, Nirmala Devi has suffered minor scratches on her neck.

Lakshmipuram Police, who rushed to the spot, conducted mahazar and have registered a case. The Police have collected footages of CCTV cameras installed on the road and have launched a hunt to nab the miscreants.

In the second incident, 70-year-old Meenakshamma, who was walking on the Highway Hotel cross road in V.V. Puram along with her daughter-in-law and grandchildren, lost her 70 grams gold chain to bike-borne miscreants at about 7.45 pm yesterday.

While the rider was wearing a helmet, pillion rider was helmetless. The miscreants, who came from behind, went a little further, then took a turn, came from the opposite direction and snatched the gold chain, Police said.

V.V. Puram Police, who rushed to the spot, registered a case and have launched a hunt to nab the chain-snatchers.

In both the incidents, chain-snatchers have used two-wheelers. The second incident took place within 30 minutes of the first incident and it is suspected that the same miscreants may have committed both the incidents.

Youth brutally murdered

Mysuru, Dec. 16 (RK&KS)- A 24-year-old youth has been brutally murdered on the outskirts of Rammanahalli in Mysuru South Rural Police limits yesterday night.

Deceased Arjun

The deceased youth has been identified as Arjun, a JCB machine driver and a resident of Rammanahalli village.

It is learnt that last night, Arjun received a call on his phone and the caller asked him to come to the outskirts of the village. When Arjun reached the place, he was brutally stabbed and bludgeoned with a stone after pushing into a ditch, it is learnt. It is suspected that someone known to Arjun may have committed the crime.

Additional SP Shivakumar and staff visited the spot. A case has been registered at Mysuru South Rural Police Station.

Obituary

Jayamma Bhojappa

Mysuru, Dec. 16- Jayamma Bhojappa (73), wife of late S. Bhojappa and a resident of Gokulam 3rd Stage here, passed away this morning in city.

She leaves behind sons Kumar and Ravishankar, daughter Meenakshi, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at the family's farm house in Bommenahalli on Hunsur this evening.

Arakere K.M. Thammaiah

Arakere K.M. Thammaiah (102), a Gandhian, social worker and a resident of Gokulam, passed away yesterday night in city.

He leaves behind his son retired Professor Dayanand Patel, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at Chirashantidhama in Gokulam this morning.

Alhaj K. Mohammed Nasrulla

Gargeshwari: Alhaj K. Mohammed Nasrulla (72), a rice mill owner and a resident of Gargeshwari in T. Narasipur taluk, passed away in the wee hours of today at a private hospital in Mysuru.

He leaves behind his wife, three sons, two daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Namaz-e-Janaza was held today after Zohar prayers (1.30 pm) at Jamia Masjid in Gargeshwari followed by burial at the Muslim Burial Grounds.

State Vokkaligara Sangha polls

K.V. Sridhar, C.G. Gangadhar and Dr. M.B. Manjegowda elected as Directors

Mysuru, Dec. 16 (MTY&DM)- JD(S) Corporator K.V. Sridhar, the city's Nadaprabhu Kempegowda Co-operative Society President C.G. Gangadhar and MCDCC Bank (Mysuru & Chamarajanagar District Co-operative Central Bank) Director Dr. M.B. Manjegowda were elected as Directors of Karnataka State Vokkaligara Sangha, from the three seats of Mysuru-Chamarajanagar-Nilgiris districts in the election held on Dec. 12.

K.V. Sridhar *C.G. Gangadhar* *Dr. M.B. Manjegowda*

The counting of votes was taken up at Vokkaligara Samudaya Bhavan in Vidyaranyapuram yesterday amid tight security.

Out of the 25,334 voters, 17,753 voters had exercised their franchise in the polls held on Sunday last.

There were nine candidates in the fray — K.V. Sridhar, Dr. K. Mahadev, Dr. M.B. Manjegowda, C.G. Gangadhar, Beedanahalli Satishgowda, Susheela Nanjappa, C.J. Palaksha, B.R. Sumitra and Raju.

While K.V. Sridhar, Dr. K. Mahadev and Dr. M.B. Manjegowda had formed a syndicate, the rest of the candidates had contested on their own.

Right from the beginning, K.V. Sridhar overtook all other candidates and consolidated his lead as the counting progressed.

He was followed by C.G. Gangadhar and Dr. M.B. Manjegowda, who bagged the second and third positions respectively.

However, Dr. K. Mahadev, who led the troika syndicate (Dr.Mahadev, K.V. Sridhar and Dr. M.B. Manjegowda) and who had aspired to become the President of the Sangha, lost out in the race, by finishing fifth.

K.V. Sridhar came at the top securing 12,267 votes, followed by C.G. Gangadhar (10,174 votes), Dr. M.B. Manjegowda (8,790 votes), Beedanahalli Satishgowda (7,852 votes), Dr. K. Mahadev (7,042 votes), Susheela Nanjappa (1,779 votes), C.J. Palaksha (938 votes), B.R. Sumitra (795 votes) and Raju (408 votes).

Out of the 17,753 votes polled, 120 were declared invalid.

The polls to elect a total of 35 Directors, including three from Mysuru-Chamarajanagar-Nilgiris districts, was held in various districts of Southern Karnataka on Dec. 12. Now as the poll results are out, the new Board of Directors will elect the President of the Sangha at a later date.

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16586	Mangaluru	KSR Bengaluru	03.20	06.20	Mon, Wed & Fri	Fully reserved
12610	Mysuru	Chennai	05.00	07.45	Daily	Fully reserved
16217	Mysuru	Shirdi	05.30	08.00	Monday	Fully reserved
17326	Mysuru	Belagavi	05.50	08.40	Daily	Unreserved
06256	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	06.10	09.15	Daily Passenger	Unreserved
06570	Mysuru	Bengaluru	07.00	09.30	Daily	Unreserved
16229	Mysuru	Varanasi	07.20	09.55	Tue & Thu	Fully reserved
07375	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	08.10	11.00	Daily	Unreserved
07345	Chamarajanagar	KSR Bengaluru	09.05	13.15	Daily Passenger	Unreserved
12975	Mysuru	Jaipur	10.30	12.55	Thu & Sat	Fully reserved
12578	Mysuru	Darbhanga	10.30	13.30	Friday	Fully reserved
12613	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	11.30	14.00	Daily	Partially unreserved
16315	Mysuru	Kochuveli	12.50	16.35	Daily	Fully reserved
17307	Mysuru	Bagalkot	13.25	16.35	Daily	Partially unreserved
06258	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	13.45	17.00	Daily Passenger	Unreserved
12008	Mysuru	MGR Chennai	14.15	16.10	Daily Except Wed	Shatabdi Express
06568	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	14.40	17.10	Daily	Unreserved
12786	Mysuru	Kacheguda	15.15	17.55	Daily	Fully reserved
16535	Mysuru	Solapur	15.45	18.30	Daily	Partially unreserved
16232	Mysuru	Mayiladuturai	16.30	18.45	Daily	Fully reserved
16219	Chamarajanagar	Tirupati	16.55	20.20	Daily	Fully reserved
16236	Mysuru	Tuticorin	18.20	21.05	Daily	Fully reserved
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16218	Shirdi	Mysuru	01.50	04.40	Thursday	Fully reserved
16021	Chennai	Mysuru	04.00	06.40	Daily	Fully reserved
16220	Tirupati	Chamarajanagar	04.30	07.00	Daily	Fully reserved
16228	Talguppa	Mysuru	05.05	08.20	Daily	Partially unreserved
22682	Chennai	Mysuru	05.25	08.00	Friday	Fully reserved
16231	Mayiladuturai	Mysuru	06.00	09.10	Daily	Fully reserved
16591	Hubballi	Mysuru	06.00	08.45	Daily	Partially unreserved
12785	Kacheguda	Mysuru	06.45	09.35	Daily	Fully reserved
16235	Tuticorin	Mysuru	07.15	10.20	Daily	Fully reserved
16536	Solapur	Mysuru	07.50	11.00	Daily	Fully reserved
16316	Kochuveli	Mysuru	08.35	11.20	Daily	Fully reserved
06257	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	09.20	12.45	Daily Passenger	Unreserved
06567	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	10.30	13.20	Daily	Unreserved
12007	MGR Chennai	Mysuru	10.50	13.00	Daily Except Wed	Shatabdi Express
17308	Bagalkot	Mysuru	11.15	14.10	Daily	Partially unreserved
07376	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	13.00	16.15	Daily	Unreserved
12976	Jaipur	Mysuru	13.15	15.55	Wed & Fri	Fully reserved
12614	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	15.15	17.45	Daily	Partially unreserved
07346	KSR Bengaluru	Chamarajanagar	15.35	18.35	Daily Passenger	Unreserved
12577	Darbhanga	Mysuru	17.15	20.00	Thursday	Fully reserved
17325	Belagavi	Mysuru	17.45	20.40	Daily	Partially unreserved
06569	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	18.25	21.05	Daily	Unreserved
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16230	Varanasi	Mysuru	20.45	23.30	Mon & Sat	Fully reserved
11066	Renigunta	Mysuru	23.20	01.50	Saturday	Fully reserved
16209	Ajmer	Mysuru	23.30	02.15	Tue & Sun	Fully reserved

TOWARDS HASSAN, ARSIKERE, DAVANGERE, HAVERI, HUBBALLI, DADAR, NEW DELHI AND BACK

Train	From Station	To Station	Departure	Arrival	Days of Service	
16206	Mysuru	Talguppa	06.00	13.15	Daily	Partially unreserved
11036	Mysuru	Dadar	06.15	05.30 (next day)	Sunday (Mysuru)	Fully reserved
07313 (Express)	Mysuru	Yesvantpur	07.45	10.55 (Hassan)	Daily	Unreserved
06225	Mysuru	Shivamogga	10.15	16.25	Daily	Unreserved
06214	Mysuru	Arsikere	17.45	21.50	Daily	Unreserved
12781	Mysuru	Hazrat Nizamuddin	20.10 (Fri)	17.50 (Sun)	Friday	Fully reserved
17301	Mysuru	Dharwad	22.30	08.05	Daily	Partially unreserved
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06213	Arsikere	Mysuru	05.00	09.25	Daily	Unreserved
06226	Shivamogga	Mysuru	11.15	16.50	Daily	Unreserved
07314 (Express)	Yesvantpur	Mysuru	16.05 (Hassan)	19.40	Daily	Unreserved
11035	Dadar	Mysuru	21.30	21.40 (next day)	Thursday (Dadar)	Fully reserved
16205	Talguppa	Mysuru	15.00	22.15	Daily	Partially unreserved
12782	Hazrat Nizamuddin	Mysuru	05.10 (Mon)	03.30 (Wed)	Monday	Fully reserved

TOWARDS MYSURU TO CHAMARAJANAGAR AND BACK

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07327	Mysuru	Chamarajanagar	05.00	06.35	Daily Passenger	Unreserved
16220	Tirupati	Chamarajanagar	07.20 (Mys)	09.10	Daily	Fully reserved
06233	Mysuru	Chamarajanagar	09.15	10.55	Daily Passenger	Unreserved
07346	Mysuru	Chamarajanagar	19.00	20.45	Daily	Unreserved
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07328	Chamarajanagar	Mysuru	21.30	23.10	Daily Passenger	Unreserved

DRM chairs Pension Adalat

Mysuru, Dec. 16- As per the directives of the Railway Board, All India Pension Adalat was held on Wednesday (Dec.15) in the Divisional Railway Manager's Office, Mysuru.

Rahul Agarwal, Divisional Railway Manager (DRM), South Western Railway (SWR), Mysuru Division, chaired the Pension Adalat.

A total of 35 pensioners attended the Adalat. 79 cases were represented by the pensioners for Pension Adalat, including 10 cases represented on the day of Adalat. Out of this, 39 cases had been disposed and other cases would be examined and redressed suitable.

DRM Rahul Agarwal, in his address, assured that all the genuine grievances represented by the pensioners will be resolved on top priority.

Partha Sarathy, President, Pensioners Association, Mysuru Division, also spoke on the occasion. Senior Officers from Mysuru Division and Bank officials from Canara Bank & Bank of Baroda attended the Adalat and clarified the doubts raised by Pensioners, according to a press release from Dr. Manjunath Kanamadi, Senior Divisional Commercial Manager and Sr. PRO.

Virtual AGM of Urdu Teachers Society

Mysuru, Dec. 16- The 36th AGM of Urdu Teachers House Building Co-operative Society Ltd., Meena Bazar Road, Lashkar Mohalla, will be held virtually on Dec. 25 at 11 am.

Society President Noor Mohamed will preside.

The Members of the Society may attend by logging on to google meet using the link *https://meet.google.com/puu-etbg-vxh*. For details contact Mob: 99861-42559.

Annual General Body Meetings on Dec. 19

Mysuru, Dec. 16 (ASC)- The Annual General Body Meetings (AGMs) of the following Societies will be held on Dec. 19:

The 24th AGM of **United Minorities Credit Co-operative Society Ltd.,** will be held at 10 am at Society's Branch Building near Nimra Masjid, Azeez Sait Double Road Cross, Rajivnagar. All the members are requested to attend the meeting in time, according to a press release.

Jamiya Minority Co-operative Society will be conducting its AGM at 11 am at its office premises, SBM Colony, Azeez Sait Road, Udayagiri, according to a press release.

The AGM of **Weavers Housing Co-operative Society** for the year 2020-21 will be held at Gunabai Chatra on Chamal Mutt Street, Kabir Road Cross, Lashkar Mohalla, at 11 am, according to a press release from Society CEO M.P. Gopalaswamy.

The AGM of **Mysore City Sri Shivachatrapathi Co-operative Society Ltd.** for the year 2020-21 will be held at 10 am at Sri Lokabhirama Samudaya Bhavan on D. Devaraj Urs Road. Society President N. Gopalarao will preside.

Health and Family Welfare Department Employees Housing Co-operative Society's AGM will be held at Pandit Narayanacharya Kalyana Mandira, Dewan's Road, at 10.30 am.

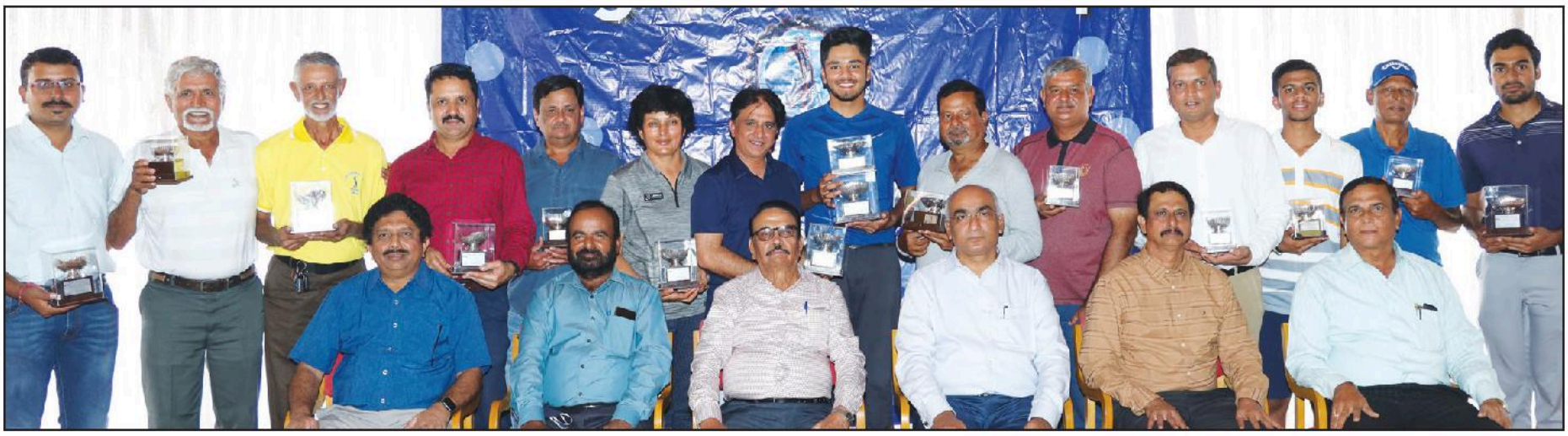
JSS Prasada Nilaya Senior Students Housing Co-operative Society Ltd. will hold its AGM at 11 am at Navajyothi auditorium of JSS Women's College in Saraswathipuram. Society President L. Revannasiddaiah will preside.

The 12th AGM of **Karnataka State College Lecturers and School Teachers Housing Co-operative Society Ltd.** for the year 2020-21 will be held at the Society Office, Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar Marga, Gurukula Layout, at 11 am. Society President Dr. M.S. Mahadevaswamy will preside.

KSRTC Employees and Retired Employees Housing Co-operative Society will hold its AGM at Suvarna Sarige Nagar, Yelwal at 11.30 am.

Society President S.M. Hampaiah will preside.

Prize winners of Engineers' Cup Golf



Seen in the picture are (sitting from left) ***Dr. S.L. Narayan - Hon. Treasurer, JWGC, H.D. Thimmappa Gowda- Hon. Secretary, JWGC, G. Narasimha Murthy - President, JWGC Engineers Golfing Association, Mysuru, C.S. Ravishankar - President, JWGC, H.S. Arun Kumar - Captain, JWGC and N. Parameshwar - Chairman, Tournament Sub-Committee, JWGC;*** *(standing from left)* ***Phalguna V. Urs, S.K. Ramalinge Gowda, Capt. K.K. Venkatesh, S.N. Hemanth, M.R. Mohan Kumar. Gayathri Mohan, M.C.S. Manohara, Dhruv Bopanna, Mari Gowda, J.N. Arjun, Vinay Natarajan, S. Pradyoth, R.N. Sudarshan and M.S. Shreyas Chandra. Picture alongside shows chief guest Yashasvi Shankar inaugurating the Engineers' Cup Golf Tournament-2021 at J.W. Golf Club on Dec. 11.***

Mysuru, Dec. 16- The following are the prize winners of the 19th Edition of Engineers' Cup Golf Tournament-2021 held at J.W. Golf Club in city on Dec. 11 and 12:

Strokeplay Gross - Dhruv Bopanna (69 Gross) - Winner; M.S. Shreyash Chandra (75 Gross) - Runner.

Strokeplay Net (H/C 0 to 12): M.C.S. Manohara (68 Net) - Winner; M.R. Mohan Kumar (70 Net) - Runner. (Better Back 9 Over Phalguna V. Urs and Vidhatri K. Urs).

Strokeplay Net (H/C 13 to 18): Gayathri Mohan (64 Net) - Winner; J.N. Arjun (66 Net) - Runner.

Stableford Net (H/C 0 to 18): S.N. Hemanth (41 Points) - Winner; S. Pradyoth (38 Points) - Runner.

Stableford Net (H/C 0 to 24) for Seniors above 65 years: Capt. K.K. Venkatesh (38 Points) - Winner; R.N. Sudarshan (38 Points) - Runner. (Better Back 9 Over R.N. Sudarshan).

Stableford Net (H/C 0 to 24) for Super Seniors above 75 years: S.K. Ramalinge Gowda (31 Points) - Winner.

Best Engineer Golfer (Stable Ford Net H/C 0 to 18) - JWGC Engineers Association Members Only: Phalguna V. Urs (36 Points) - Winner; Vinay Natarajan (36 Points) - Runner. (Better Back 9 Over Vinay Natarajan).

Nearest to the Pin - 6th Hole: Dhruv Bopanna (8 Feet 7 Inches) - Winner.

Straightest Drive - 16th Hole: Mari Gowda (40.5 Inches) - Winner.

A total of 171 players took part in the event that was sponsored by JWGC Engineers Golfing Association, according to a press release from JWGC Hon. Secretary H.D. Thimmappa Gowda and Tournament Sub-Committee Chairman N. Parameshwar.

41st State Masters Athletic Championship

Mysore District Masters Athletes bag rich haul of medals

Mysuru, Dec. 16- The following athletes, representing the Mysore District Masters Athletic Association, Mysuru, excelled in the 41st State Masters Athletic Championship-2021, held at Mahatma Gandhi District Stadium, Ajjarkadu, Udupi, by winning medals in various categories:

Veteran athlete N.R. Shankar Rao won two gold medals in the 90-plus men's section in the 5km walk, 100m and 200m events.

MVV Swamy won three gold medals in the men's 80-plus section. In the 35-plus age category, M. Vijayshankar, G.G. Raghunandan and Amarnath won three gold medals each.

The other athletes who won medals are M.M. Nanaiah (3 gold); Balarame Gowda, Parvathy Kantharaj & Prabhamani (2 gold each); M.P. Chandrashekhar (1 gold & 2 silver); Kala Satish (1 gold & 1 silver); T.S. Subbalakshmi and Netravathy (1 gold each), V. Rekha (1 gold), Narasimha Prasad (1 gold & 2 silver), P.G. Chandrashekhar & Subba Setty (1 gold each), B.K. Somashekar (1 gold & 1 silver), N. Manju (1 gold & 1 silver), K.N. Somashekar (1 gold & 1 bronze), H.M. Chandrashekhar (1 gold), Dr. Sandeep (1 gold & 1 silver), M.P. Umesh (2 silver & 1 bronze), M. Yogendra (2 silver), S. Mahadevu (1 silver & 2 bronze), Rani B. Raju (1 silver & 2 bronze), Bharathi (2 silver) and Nirmala & Narayan (1 bronze each).

Medal winners at National Karate Championship

Seen are (from left) ***Nithin K. Gowda, Sensei Siddaraju M. Shetty and M. Jeevan.***

Mysuru, Dec. 16- In the 3rd National-level Karate Championship held at Hubballi, the following students of Pandit's The Orchids PU College, under the guidance of Sensei Siddaraju M. Shetty, have bagged medals in different categories:

Nithin K. Gowda - 1st place in 16-18 years boys Kumite and 2nd place in 16-18 years boys Kata (Pool-A).

M. Jeevan - 3rd place in 16-18 years boys Kumite and 1st place in 16-18 years boys Kata (Pool-B).

Bags gold medal in high-jump

Abhigyan Gowda, a student of The Orchids Public School, Mysuru, has bagged a gold medal in high-jump in the Under-14 category of the Mysore District Track and Field Athletic Meet-2021 organised by Mysore District Athletics Association at Chamundi Vihar Stadium in the month of November.

Abhigyan Gowda

WORD OF THE DAY

Milquetoast

Pronunciation: MILK-tohst.
Meaning: A milquetoast is a timid, meek, or unassertive person.
Origin: Caspar Milquetoast is a comic strip character created in 1924 by cartoonist Harold T. Webster. Beginning a few years after the character's debut, the term milquetoast came to describe a timid or meek person. Caspar's last name is fitting because milk toast is a weak, bland concoction of buttered toast served in a dish of warm milk.
Example: "I think if you're likable, sometimes you are like milquetoast. You don't necessarily stand for anything. You don't rub people the wrong way because you have strong opinions...." — Katie Couric

THE ODD WORD

Maculomancy

Divination using spots.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

To make a long story short

Meaning: 'To Make a Long Story Short' is used to indicate that you are providing just the basic facts rather than giving a lengthy explanation for something.
Origin: The origin of the phrase 'to make a long story short' isn't exactly known. It has been used in several classic works, indicating that it has been a common expression for more than 100 years.
Example: "To make a long story short, I ran into Tony and we decided to go to the game together."

QUOTE BOX

Great stories happen to those who can tell them.—**Ira Glas**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

Answer: Wish upon a star.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Management deg.
4 Traditional knowledge
8 Nile queen for short - "Cole" anagram
12 Isle of Man, initially
13 Unchanged (2,2)
14 Tile of respect for German man?
15 Spanish or Portuegese people
17 Make less severe
18 Notches
19 Drive away
20 Boys
22 Greek fable-writer
24 Similar, equivalent or identical
26 Jamaican popular music
27 Radio Mgmnt. Unit
30 Deep gorge
32 Drives or pushes forward
34 Unit of energy
35 Family member
37 A valuable fur
38 A poisonous snake
40 Took to court
41 Hooked claw
44 Period of dark
46 Expand
47 Excessive admiration
50 Tennis star Nastase
51 Harp-like musical instrument
52 One __ __ time (singly) ? (2,1)
53 Affectionate
54 Part of a church
55 Circuit

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

L	A	V	A	■	A	R	E	■	S	C	A	R
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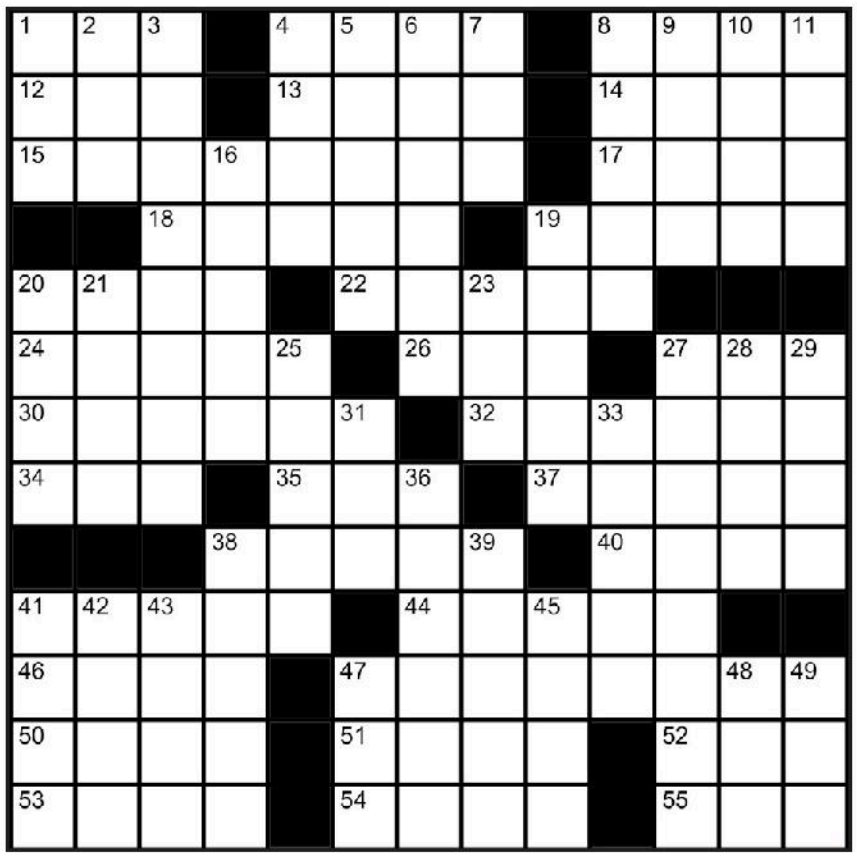
DOWN

1 1002 in Roman numerals
2 Cropped hairstyle
3 Improving or rectifying
4 Not of the clergy
5 City in Japan
6 Washes out in water
7 Suffix for sex-change
8 Chick sounds
9 Jump in the air
10 Old Gaelic
11 City on the Oka - "lore" anagram?
16 Hazardous or venturesome
19 Wanders about aimlessly
20 Decorative needlework
21 Winglike
23 Attachment for snow sport, etc
25 A red dye - "noise" anagram ?
27 Disproof
28 Fr. miss
29 Exploited or availed of
31 Pinch or bite
33 Turkish title
36 Put into the air? (4,2)
38 Made a solemn promise
39 Mob violence or uprisings
41 Acronym heralding weekend
42 Folksinger Guthrie
43 Joint of meat - "lion" anagram?
45 Merriment
47 Playback singer Arun
48 Reqd Time of Arr.
49 A shrill bark



SUDOKU

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Answer to previous puzzle

3	7	8	4	5	1	6	2	9
1	6	5	2	3	9	4	7	8
4	2	9	7	6	8	5	1	3
8	9	6	3	7	4	2	5	1
7	1	3	5	8	2	9	4	6
5	4	2	9	1	6	8	3	7
2	8	7	6	4	3	1	9	5
9	3	1	8	2	5	7	6	4
6	5	4	1	9	7	3	8	2

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

CTS DL IQO C RCNODUEYCNYH DIOSNSLODIT

LEMGSUO. CIHQIS UCI TSO QYK. CYY HQE

ZCBS OQ KQ DL YDBS YQIT SIQETZ.

TODAY'S CLUE: T EQUALS G

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: If you carry your childhood with you, you never become older.

NOW SHOWING - MOVIES

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Drishya 2 (K) - 4 Shows

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Drishya 2 (K) - 4 Shows

Padma Theatre — Ph: 2521923
Madhagaja (K)- 4 Shows

Woodlands Theatre — Ph: 2422871
Madhagaja (K) - 4 Shows

Gayathri Theatre — Ph: 2443568
Sakath (K) - 4 Shows

Sterling Theatre — Ph: 2481170
Maddy (K) - 4 Shows

Lido Theatre — Ph: 2420885
Chandigarh Kare Aashiqui (H) - 2 Shows; *Maddy (K)* - 2 Shows

Balaji Theatre — Ph: 2497199
Chandigarh Kare Aashiqui (H) - 4 Shows

Rajkamal Theatre — Ph: 2423554
Spider-Man: No Way Home (E) - 4 Shows

Uma Theatre — Ph: 2520009
Break Failure (K) 2 Shows; Love Killer Trap (H) - 2 Shows

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Spider-Man: No Way Home (3D-E)	(S-1)	8.00 am, 1.10 pm, 4.05 pm 7.00 pm, 9.55 pm
	(S-4)	8.10 am, 12 noon, 3.15 pm 6.30 pm, 9.30 pm
Spider-Man: No Way Home (2D-E)	(S-3)	9.55 pm
Chandigarh Kare Aashique (H)	(S-1)	10.50 am
Madhagaja (K)	(S-2)	10.25 am
Garuda Gamana Vrishabha Vahana (K)	(S-2)	1.15 pm
Sri Jagannatha Dasaru (K)	(S-2)	4.15 pm
Sakath (K)	(S-2)	7.05 pm
Drishya 2 (K)	(S-2)	9.55 pm
	(S-3)	10.10 am, 1.05 pm 4.05 pm, 7.00 pm

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Spider-Man: No Way Home (3D-E)	(S-1)	8.40 am, 11.55 am, 3.15 pm 6.35 pm, 9.55 pm
Spider-Man: No Way Home (E)	(S-2)	10.40 am, 2.05 pm 5.30 pm, 8.55 pm
	(S-4)	9.00 am, 12.15 pm, 9.45 pm
Chandigarh Kare Aashique (H)	(S-3)	12.40 pm
Drishyaa 2 (K)	(S-3)	3.20 pm, 9.35 pm
Madhagaja (K)	(S-3)	6.35 pm
Sakkath (K)	(S-3)	9.30 am; (S-4) 3.30 pm
Nanna Hesaru Kishora Yelu Pass Yentu (K)	(S-4)	6.45 pm

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Spider-Man: No Way Home (3D-E)	:	11.10 am, 12.15 pm, 2.20 pm, 3.30 pm 5.30 pm, 6.45 pm, 8.40 pm, 10.00 pm
Spider-Man: No Way Home (2D-E)	:	11.40 am, 12.20 pm, 2.50 pm, 3.30 pm 6.00 pm, 6.40 pm, 9.10 pm, 9.50 pm
Akhanda (Te)	:	12.15 pm
Chandigarh Kare Aashiqui (H)	:	1.20 pm, 7.05 pm
Garuda Gamana Vrishabha Vahana (K)	:	3.40 pm
Drishya 2 (K)	:	4.00 pm
Bheemante Vazhi (Ma)	:	7.05 pm
Tadap (H)	:	9.40 pm
Madhagaja (K)	:	9.45 pm

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Spider-Man: No Way Home (E-3D)	:	11.10 am, 12.10 pm, 2.20 pm, 3.25 pm 5.30 pm, 6.40 pm, 8.40 pm, 9.50 pm
Spider-Man: No Way Home (E-2D)	:	12.30 pm, 3.40 pm, 6.50 pm
Drishya 2 (K)	:	12.55 pm, 6.55 pm
Madhagaja (K)	:	4.00 pm
Garuda Gamana Vrishabha Vahana (K)	:	10.00 pm
Jan-E-Man (Ma)	:	10.00 pm

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Drishyaa 2 (K)	(S-2)	9.15 pm
	(S-3)	10.30 am, 1.20 pm, 4.10 pm, 7 pm
Consilium (K)	(S-1)	3.50 pm
Madhagaja (K)	(S-1)	6.25 pm, 9.00 pm
	(S-4)	10.45 am
Rhymes (K)	(S-4)	1.30 pm
Chandigarh Kare Aashique (H)	(S-1)	10.45 am, 1.15 pm
	(S-4)	6.50 pm
Jan-E-Man (Ma)	(S-4)	4.00 pm
Bheemante Vazhi (Ma)	(S-4)	9.15 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

Arivu Ranga to stage Kannada play 'QED'

Mysuru, Dec. 16- Mysore Open Forum has organised staging of Kannada play 'QED,' which is based on the life of Noble Laureate American Physicist Prof. Richard Feynman, by Arivu Ranga at 10.30 am on Dec. 19 at Kalpa Kshetra Auditorium, #581/1, Vijayanagar 4th Stage, 1st Phase, Mysuru.

Prof. Richard Feynman is a well-known physicist known for ground-breaking work on Quantum Mechanics, the theory of Quantum Electrodynamics (QED), the physics of the superfluidity of supercooled Liquid Helium.

For contributions to the development of QED, Feynman received the Nobel Prize in Physics in 1965 jointly with Julian Schwinger and Shinchiro Tomonaga. He was associated with the Los Alamos Laboratories and was involved in the Manhattan Project that led to the development of the Atom Bomb.

Yateesh N. Kollegal has directed the play, which is based on American playwright Peter Parnell's English play and translated to Kannada by Shashidhar Dongre. For details, contact Mob: 94498-19636.

EVENTS TODAY (DEC. 16)

- **BEML:** Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, Exhibition on BEML's Story Board 'Journey of BEML Since 1964...' covering visuals and live equipment, BEML Ground, opposite Main Gate, BEML, **up to 5 pm.**
- **Indian Art and Craft Shopping Festival-2021:** Christmas Carnival, expo-cum-sale of over 10,000 varieties of handlooms and handicrafts for all over India, Open Grounds, opposite Aishwarya Petrol Bunk, Hunsur Road, Vijayanagar I Stage, **up to 9.30 pm.**
- **Gruha Shobhe:** International Living Style Exhibition, special attraction - Cake Show by Dolphin with Replica of Puneeth Rajkumar made of cake, Dasara Exhibition Grounds, **up to 9 pm.**
- **Karnataka Exhibition Authority (KEA) and Tourism Department:** Exhibition-2021, Dasara Exhibition Grounds, **3.30 pm to 9 pm.**
- **Sri Raghavendra Swamy Mutt:** Karnatak Violin Concert by Vedagnya Narasimha, disciple of Vidwan Bombay V. Anand, CHETHAS (Centre for Holistic Enrichment Through Arts), Singapore, accompanied by Vid. Radhesh Ananthachar on mridanga and Vid. M.R. Manjunatha on ghata, Sri Raghavendra Swamy Mutt premises, 4th Main Road, Gokulam 2nd Stage, Jayalakshmipuram, **6 pm to 7 pm.**
- **Sri Venugopalaswamy Temple:** Puja, Shattumurai and Mahamangalarati, **5 pm to 6.30 pm;** Thiruppavai discourse by Vidu. Dr. K.L. Prasannakshi, retd. Sanskrit Professor, Maharani's Arts College, Mysuru, Temple premises, Tyagaraja Road, **6.30 pm.** [Mob: 99451-01480]
- **Hebbar Sri Vaishnava Upasabha, K.R. Vanam and Sri Rama Mandira:** 'Thiruppavai Kalakshepa' (Thiruppavai discourse) by Dr. N.K. Ramasheshan, Sri Rama Mandira, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.15 pm to 7.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (DEC. 17)

- **BEML:** Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, Exhibition on BEML's Story Board 'Journey of BEML Since 1964...' covering visuals and live equipment, BEML Ground, opposite Main Gate, BEML, **10 am to 5 pm.**
- **Railway Pensioners Welfare Association:** Pensioners Day celebrations, SC/ST Association auditorium, Seshadri Iyer Road, A. Devasahayam, Addl. Divisional Railway Manager, Mysuru, chief guest, Parthasarathy, President of the Association, presides, A Manuel Hall, Seshadri Iyer Road, **10.30 am.**
- **Indian Art and Craft Shopping Fest:** Christmas Carnival, expo-cum-sale of over 10,000 varieties of handlooms and handicrafts for all over India, Open Grounds, opposite Aishwarya Petrol Bunk, Hunsur Road, Vijayanagar I Stage, **10.30 am to 9.30 pm.**
- **Janaspandana Trust:** Aahara Mela (Food Mela), Theme: 'Namma Ooru, Namma Ruchi,' Chikkamma Niketana Kalyana Mantap, Kuvempunagar, **11 am to 9 pm** [Mob: 63600-16264 or 98803-90463 or 94488-96214]
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Global Alumni Meet

Mysuru, Dec. 16- JSS Science and Technology University (JSS S&TU) and Sri Jayachamarajendra College of Engineering (Constituent College under JSS S&TU) will hold 6th Global Alumni Meet on Dec. 18 at 10.30 am.

Prof. B. Suresh, Director, Technical Education Division, JSS Mahavidyapeetha, will inaugurate the event. Prof. M.H. Dhananjaya, Advisor, Technical Education Division, JSS Mahavidyapeetha, will preside.

On the occasion, Alumni Scholarship for the needy students, sponsored by the alumni residing in the USA, will be distributed and Distinguished Alumni Awards will be conferred. The event will be held in Blended Mode. The programme can be viewed online at ***sjce.ravgonet.in*** [Alumni Assn. Co-ordinator: 98867-79078]

Veena Concert on Dec. 18

Mysuru, Dec. 16- RAAGA Music Academy presents a grand veena concert by **Vidu. Dr. S.V. Sahana** of Mysuru on Dec. 18 at Prajna Kuteera Ayurvedic Centre in Kuvempunagar at 5.30 pm.

Dr. S.V. Sahana

She will be accompanied by **Vid. A. Rajesh** on mridanga and **Vid. S. Manjunath** on ghata.

This concert is sponsored by Roddams in memory of their mother Yamuna Devi and co-sponsored by Vidu. Koviladi R. Kala in memory of her father and Guru Vid. Koviladi K. Rangarajan. For details, call Ph: 0821-542069 or Mob: 82777-33410.

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